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SUBJECT: ALSAFECOM002/01, C-135 UNCOMMANDED STABILIZER TRIM INPUTS

1. THIS MESSAGE APPLIES TO ALL UNITS OPERATING VARIANTS OF THE C-135

AIRCRAFT REF SAFETY MESSAGE 292221Z SEP 00

2. RECENT INCIDENTS AND INVESTIGATION HAVE PROMPTED ACTION TO MAKE

ALL C-135 AIRCREWS AND MAINTAINERS AWARE OF THE CONTINUING PROBLEM OF
UNCOMMANDED C-135 HORIZONTAL STABILIZER TRIM INPUTS.

3. TO ENSURE ACCURATE DATA COLLECTION AND PROPER ATTENTION IS GIVEN

TO RECENT C-135 RUNAWAY TRIM INCIDENTS, ALL UNCOMMANDED TRIM

MALFUNCTIONS, WHETHER ON THE GROUND OR AIRBORNE FOR C-135 VARIANT

AIRCRAFT WILL BE REPORTED BY THE UNIT SAFETY OFFICE AS A HIGH

ACCIDENT POTENTIAL (HAP) REPORT. THIS GUIDANCE IS IN EFFECT UPON

RECEIPT AND WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

4. IN THE LAST COUPLE OF MONTHS 2 UNCOMMANDED TRIM INCIDENTS HAVE

OCCURRED; ONE DURING A TOUCH AND GO, AND THE OTHER DURING TAXI

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OPERATIONS. IN BOTH CASES, THE INCIDENTS WERE NOT IMMEDIATELY REPORTED TO SAFETY PERSONNEL AND VALUABLE INFORMATION WAS LOST. BOTH THESE INCIDENTS HAD THE POTENTIAL TO BE REPEATS OF THE GILENKIRCHEN AB, GERMANY CLASS A MISHAP.

5. WING SAFETY OFFICES ARE INSTRUCTED TO PUT A COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IN ALL UNIT SAFETY READ FILES AND ENSURE AIRCREW ARE AWARE OF THE REQUIREMENT TO TERMINATE A MISSION ANY TIME THEY ENCOUNTER UNCOMMANDED TRIM INPUTS. AIRCREW WILL MAKE A WRITTEN RECORD OF WHAT HAPPENED AS WELL AS CONDITIONS SURROUNDING THE INCIDENT. NOTIFY THE WING SAFETY OFFICE AND FILL OUT ALL APPROPRIATE FORMS IMMEDIATELY AFTER LANDING.

6. INVESTIGATING OFFICERS WILL CONDUCT THE INVESTIGATIONS IAW AFI 91-204 DIRECTIVES AND WORK WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE LOGISTIC ORGANIZATIONS TO DETERMINE IF AN AIRCRAFT IMPOUNDMENT IS WARRANTED. PARTS FOUND DEFECTIVE WILL BE SENT FOR A CATEGORY 1 (ONE) ANALYSIS.

7. WE RECOMMEND THE GILENKIRCHEN MISHAP BE BRIEFED AND DISCUSSED AT THE NEXT QUARTERLY FLYING SAFETY MEETING. DURING MISSION PLANNING REVIEW AS A CREW THE PROCEDURES IN THE FLIGHT MANUAL CONCERNING UNCOMMANDED TRIM MALFUNCTION AND RECOVERY.

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